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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: TSUCHIYA et al

Serial No.: 10/633,719

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For: Magnetic Recording And Reproducing Apparatus and
Method And Thin Film Magnetic Head Used Therein

Art Unit: 2651

Examiner: A. Giesy

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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March 13, 2006

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2005. The amendments are listed below and set forth on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.